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## Via Hand Delivery

Ms. Marlene Dortch Secretary Federal Communications Commission 445 12<sup>th</sup> Street SW Washington DC 20554

Re: Section 63.71 Application of BellSouth Telecommunications, Inc. d/b/a AT&T Southeast

Dear Ms Dortch:

On March 10, 2011, AT&T filed the above-referenced Section 63.71 Application seeking approval for BellSouth Telecommunications, Inc. d/b/a AT&T Southeast to discontinue Automatic Protection Switching /Automatic Loop Transfer service (214 Application) throughout its service territory in Alabama, Florida, Georgia, Kentucky, Louisiana, Mississippi, North Carolina, South Carolina, and Tennessee. Unfortunately, the customer notice that was attached to the 214 Application contained the incorrect mailing address and an incorrect termination date. On April 1, 2011, AT&T Southeast mailed a corrected version of the customer notification to the current subscriber of these services. A corrected copy of the notice is also attached hereto. A copy of this filing is being served on the Secretary of Defense, governors and state PUCs of the states affected by this discontinuance.

If you have any further questions related to this matter please contact me at 202-457-3047.

Sincerely

Terri L. Hoskins

cc: Kimberly Jackson-WCB

Enclosure



April 1, 2011

Verizon Communications ATTN: Dept. 2298/087 2520 Northwinds Parkway Alpharetta, GA 30004

Important Notice Regarding Discontinuance of
BellSouth Telecommunications, Inc.
High Capacity Automatic Loop Transfer / Automatic Protection Switching
Effective 10/31/2011

Thank you for using AT&T for your communication service needs. We want to be sure you are kept aware of <u>upcoming changes to your BellSouth Telecommunications</u>, Inc. High Capacity Automatic Loop Transfer/Automatic Protection Switching (ALT/APS) service.

Our records indicate active ALT/APS service for the following circuit ID: 101 T1 MIAMFLWFWA1 MIAMFLGRK01

The equipment that AT&T uses to provide ALT/APS has been discontinued by the manufacturer. AT&T has determined that, due to the unavailability of that equipment, AT&T will no longer be able to provide ALT/APS service. As a result, AT&T is notifying you that ALT/APS will be withdrawn on October 31, 2011. This notice will provide time for you to review the alternative services that are available to you.

Effective on or after May 31, 2011, pending regulatory approval, ALT/APS will no longer be available to new customers in Alabama, Florida, Georgia, Kentucky, Louisiana, Mississippi, North Carolina, South Carolina, and Tennessee under FCC#1 Tariff, and existing customers will not be permitted to purchase new service.

As a current AT&T customer with ALT/APS, you may retain your existing service until the service is withdrawn, subject to the following service restrictions:

 Effective May 31, 2011, Moves, Additions, and Change orders for ALT/APS will no longer be accepted. Beginning May 31, 2011, new requests for physical changes to ALT/APS including installation of new service, or moves to different service addresses, will not be provisioned.

ALT/APS will be provided to existing customers on a month-to-month basis until the service is discontinued. During any month-to-month service period, AT&T may change the rates, terms and conditions of the service upon at least 30 days notice.

Although AT&T plans to discontinue ALT/APS on October 31, 2011, **AT&T offers as a replacement DS1 Diverse service local and interoffice channel.** 

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DS1 Diverse service local and interoffice channel provides a structurally diverse, fiber-based architecture designed to limit single points of failure. DS1 Diverse service local and interoffice channels are available if existing local and interoffice channel facilities are fiber-based and utilize structurally diverse routes.

Please contact your Account Manager or other members of your Sales Team if you have any questions. AT&T regrets any inconvenience the discontinuance of BellSouth Telecommunications, Inc. High Capacity Automatic Loop Transfer/Automatic Protection Switching may cause and hopes to make your transition to a new service arrangement as smooth as possible.

Thank you for using AT&T.

Sincerely,

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AT&T Operations, Inc. on behalf of BellSouth Telecommunications, Inc. One SBC Plaza Dallas, Texas 75202

## AT&T is required by the FCC to provide the following statement:

The FCC will normally authorize this proposed discontinuance of service (or reduction or impairment) unless it is shown that customers would be unable to receive service or a reasonable substitute from another carrier or that the public convenience and necessity is otherwise adversely affected. If you wish to object, you should file your comments as soon as possible, but no later than 30 days after the Commission releases public notice of the proposed discontinuance. Address them to the Federal Communications Commission, Wireline Competition Bureau, Competition Policy Division, Washington DC 20554, and include in your comments a reference to the §63.71 Application of BellSouth Telecommunications, Inc. d/b/a AT&T Southeast. Comments should include specific information about the impact of this proposed discontinuance (or reduction or impairment) upon you or your company, including any inability to acquire reasonable substitute service.